

School Calendar

26 March	PTA meeting - Community Room (Room 14) at 3 15 pm - all welcome
31 March	School cross-country 9 30 am - 12 30 pm (postponement date 2 April)
1 April	School photos - all students
3 April	Cultural Celebration 1 - 3 pm in the Hall
4 April	Whole school Learning Celebration - 9 10 am in the Hall
7 - 11 April	Whole school swimming - 10 30 am - 1 30 pm at Aquagym - cost covered by Activity contribution
14 - 17 April	Whole school swimming - 10 30 am - 1 30 pm at Aquagym - cost covered by Activity contribution
17 April	Term 1 ends
5 May	Term 2 starts
May	School photo proofs distributed
19-21 May	Year 7/8 camp - details to follow
21-23 May	Year 5/6 camp - details to follow
29 May	School photos - orders close
2 June	Queen's Birthday - school holiday
4 July	Term 2 ends
21 July	Term 3 starts
26 September	Term 3 ends
13 October	Term 4 starts
27 October	Labour Day - school holiday
14 November	Show Day - school holiday
12 December	Term 4 ends (to be confirmed)

From the school Office:

- We can sometimes provide a **change of clothes** for those children who have "accidents"; please wash and return them to the school Office, so that we continue to keep a good supply
- We would appreciate clean **empty ice cream containers**, with or without lids, for the sick bay
- We would appreciate any **spare clothes** for ages 4 - 6 years

Vision/Purpose Statement

A Vibrant Inspirational Learning Community in the Heart of the City

Our Values

Excellence Te Ririte	Equity Te Ririte	Integrity Ngākau Pono	Sense of Community Nohonga Tahitanga
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Strategic Goals

1	Implement the Curriculum
2	Raise Student Achievement
3	Strengthening the Learning Community

Kia ora

Mike is out of school for a few days, and therefore this newsletter will be missing his piece, but we'd like to share some of what has been happening around our *Vibrant Inspirational Learning Community* during a busy Term 1. We apologise for the lack of a school newsletter in Week 6, and hope to make up for that with lots of news in this edition.

We'd like to introduce staff new to our school this term:



Roska Maas-Griffin joins our Support Staff team, working as a Teacher Aide with small groups at all year levels.

Thomas McVie will be working as a Release Teacher in both Team Kauri



and Team Harakeke on several days each week.



Alicia Street joins us as a part-time Teacher in the Technology Team.



We also welcome **Alex Laidlaw** to our Support Staff team.

Team Koru recently began our new **Discovery programme**. Discovery brings our school curriculum alive through hands-on learning experiences which are specifically designed to meet the needs of our diverse learners. With a weekly focus on one of our school Learner Qualities, this is a fantastic

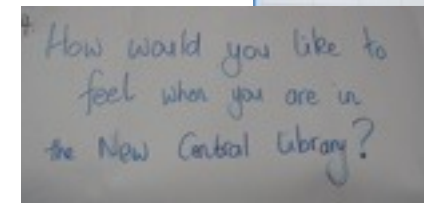
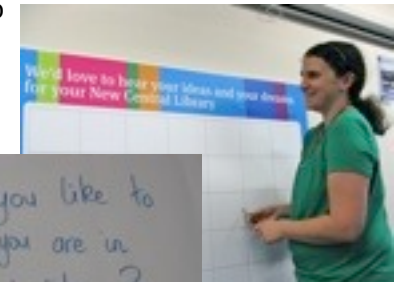


opportunity for students to develop vital skills in a range of areas. Check out Room 5 in action!



Last week our **Student Librarian Team** met with

two City Libraries facilitators to brainstorm ideas of what we would love the new Central Library to look like. This week, two very lucky children have been invited to share our



school's ideas with the Mayor.



Many thanks to Lisa Stanger and Julianne Pask from Christchurch City Libraries for facilitating the event.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Further details from the school Office

Free insulation: Free insulation and heating assistance is now available for families with a Community Services Card (homeowners and tenants excl Housing NZ) through Community Energy Action Charitable Trust. Don't wait until winter but call now 374 7222 or visit www.cea.co.nz. Conditions apply.

The Influenza vaccination is again being offered free for all people aged 6 months to under the age of 18 years in Canterbury, available through your family doctor. The vaccine helps protect against influenza.

Linwood Community Art Centre low-cost classes, day and evening classes held at 388 Worcester St, cnr Stanmore and Worcester St. Enquiries to 981 2881 email: linwood.art.ctr@gmail.com Mosaic, Art, Multi-media Art Class, Waiata and Fibre Art.

Christchurch Squash Club at 182 Chester Street East: Give Squash A Go. We are currently looking for juniors 5 - 16 years to join our club. New Juniors programme starting term 2, 7 May 2014. Club racquets and glasses available for initial use. Free 8 week trial period. All grades and abilities welcome. Register your interest: e-mail chch@squash.co.nz Txt 021 245 0966

Woolston Gala: on Saturday 22 March, 11 am to 3 pm, Woolston Park, Ferry Road, postponed to 24 March if wet. For more information on free community events across the city, please visit www.summertime.co.nz or www.bethere.co.nz

Dyslexia - Understanding and Action: An opportunity to celebrate your child's gifts and support them through their learning challenges. Thursday 20 March, 7 - 9 pm. Christchurch South Library Boardroom, 66 Colombo St. \$10.00 Secure your place by contacting Melanie at melanie@positiveparticipation.com.

School photos will be taken on Tuesday 1 April 2014. If you would like a **family photo** taken (all siblings at Christchurch East School), please complete the form below and return it to Carol in the Office, or e-mail carol.bibby@chcheast.school.nz with your information.

School photos on Tuesday 1 April

Request for family photograph to be taken

Family name _____

Student Name _____ Room _____

Please return this form to the school Office
by **Friday 28 March**

Following on from Team Koru's visit to see the Chinese lanterns in Hagley Park recently, we had a visit from George Chan with his group, performing the **Lion Dance**.



CHRISTCHURCH EAST SCHOOL

WEEK 8

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Who was
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